Dear Henry, 1/27/85

On page 22 of the Ruby chapter I've questioned reference to (no alleged) "crime syndicate of New Orleans mob boss Carlos Marcello" not because I believe it is inaccurate and no because I think there is any chance that Marcello will sue but because he has not been convicted of this. Taken with what follows and I've questioned, what I think id at least an exaggeration, I believe that to a degree this can be interpreted as cheapening your writing. What follows is that by Ruby's making a call to Nofio Pecora, this "placed Ruby in the heart of the Marcello organization."

Ruby could, of course, and did phone almost anyone. The call itself means nothing.

If Pecora actually did something for Ruby, even ~~xxxxxx~~ that would fall short of heartland stuff.

Ginny, as she wanted to be called, is as you described. You are fortunate to have so conscientious and competent a researcher. Who also is very pleasant.

She wanted a copy of the chart ofthe location of cellar files. Gil made it but she forgot it. Enclosed.

Also enclosed is a copy of my letter to Mock re Lifton's "second" Helicopter and body-snatching theory. Of course there is much more evidence, but I had a reason for sending these few pages to Paul now. He told me that Lifton is proceeding on his sequel, which, perhaps jokingly, Hoch referred to as "Second Best Evidence." (I'd told Hoch Lifton had already done this, that his first book was second-best evidence.)

Also enclosed, and thanks for them, are the Stout book and clippings. I enjoyed both, Lil the book only. (First time in many years I've seen a book with some of the pages in an entire sig blank.) The clips don't include the best, in the event you use them, the commotion when the FBI went to speak to Viking about the book. I was told that the building shook! Guinsburgh was not very brave.)

We both enjoyed Elizabeth's note very much. She's good!

Best to you all,